## THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF THE SEVENTH CIRCUIT 219 South Dearborn Street Chicago, Illinois 60604

September 8, 2020

Chief Judge Diane S. Sykes

No. 07-20-90084

IN RE COMPLAINT AGAINST A JUDGE:

## **MEMORANDUM**

Complainant filed a misconduct complaint against the judge presiding in his civil case. The allegations concern the judge's denial of complainant's request for appointed pro bono counsel. Any complaint that is "directly related to the merits of a decision or procedural ruling" must be dismissed. 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii); see also Rule 11(c)(1)(B) of the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability Proceedings. "Any allegation that calls into question the correctness of an official action of a judge ... is merits related." Standard 2 for Assessing Compliance with the Act, Implementation of the Judicial Conduct and Disability Act of 1980: A Report to the Chief Justice 145 (2006).

The complaint is dismissed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 352(b)(1)(A)(ii).